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## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In her reasons for allowance, the examiner states that the prior art does not teach or suggest the invention as set forth in the claims. This is true. The examiner then refers to some specific language of independent claim one as an example of a reason for patentability. This is not the only reason for the patentability of claim 1. Also, other claims use terminology that differs from the terminology of claim 1 and are therefore of a scope determined by the terminology of such claims and are patentable for other reasons. Thus, each of the claims of the application are independently patentable for a variety of reasons.

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